

Application No.: 10/729,303
Amendments dated August 4, 2005
Response

Amendments to the Claims

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims:

Claim 1 - 7 (canceled)

Claim 8 (currently amended): The apparatus as defined in claim 7 21 in which said hanger means comprises a hanger member pivotally connected to said back surface of said molded body.

Claim 9 (original): An award construction comprising:

- (a) a supporting base having an upper surface and a lower surface;
- (b) a decorative member connected to said supporting base, said decorative member including a molded body having:
 - (i) a front surface having a central portion circumscribed by a marginal portion;
 - (ii) a back surface having an upper portion and a lower portion, said lower portion having a first threaded bore formed therein; and
 - (iii) a lower portion having a second threaded bore and a pair of spaced apart surface engaging protuberances formed thereon;

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(c) connector means for interconnecting said decorative member with said supporting base, said connector means comprising a threaded rod having a first threaded end threadably receivable within said second threaded bore of said lower portion of said decorative member; and

(d) a support rod having a surface engaging first end and a second threaded end, said second threaded end being threadably received within said first threaded bore formed and said back surface of said molded body.

Claim 10 (original): The award construction as defined in claim 9 which said threaded rod has a threaded second end and in which said award construction further includes a nut threadably connected to said second end of said threaded rod.

Claim 11 (original): The award construction as defined in claim 9 in which said supporting base has a cavity for housing said nut and at least a portion of said second end of said threaded rod.

Claim 12 (original): The award construction as defined in claim 9, further including a spacer disposed between said supporting base and said decorative member, said threaded rod extending through said spacer.

Claim 13 (original): The award construction as defined in claim 9 in which said decorative member further includes hanger means connected to said back surface of said molded body for hanging the molded body on a vertical surface.

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Claim 14 (original): The apparatus as defined in claim 13 in which said hanger means comprises a hanger member pivotally connected to said back surface of said molded body.

Claim 15 (original): An award construction comprising:

- (a) a supporting base having an upper surface and a lower surface;
- (b) a decorative member connected to said supporting base, said decorative member including a molded body having:
 - (i) a front surface having a central portion circumscribed by a marginal portion;
 - (ii) a back surface having an upper portion and a lower portion, said lower portion having a first threaded bore formed therein; and
 - (iii) a lower portion having a second threaded bore and a pair of spaced apart surface engaging protuberances formed thereon;
- (c) connector means for interconnecting said decorative member with said supporting base, said connector means comprising a threaded rod having a first threaded end threadably receivable within said second threaded bore of said lower portion of said decorative member;
- (d) a support rod having a surface engaging first end and a second threaded end, said second threaded end being threadably received within

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said first threaded bore formed and said back surface of said molded body;
and

(e) hanger means connected to said back surface of said molded body for hanging the molded body on a vertical surface, said hanger means comprises a hanger member pivotally connected to said back surface of said molded body.

Claim 16 (original): The award construction as defined in claim 15 which said threaded rod has a threaded second end and in which said award construction further includes a nut threadably connected to said second end of said threaded rod.

Claim 17 (original): The award construction as defined in claim 15 in which said supporting base has a cavity for housing said nut and at least a portion of said second end of said threaded rod.

Claim 18 (original): The award construction as defined in claim 15, further including a spacer disposed between said supporting base and said decorative member, said threaded rod extending through said spacer.

Claim 19 (new): An award construction comprising:

- (a) a supporting base having an upper surface and a lower surface;
- (b) a decorative member connected to said supporting base, said decorative member including a molded body having:

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- (i) a front surface having a central portion circumscribed by a marginal portion;
 - (ii) a back surface having an upper portion and a lower portion, said lower portion of said back surface having a first threaded bore formed therein; and
 - (iii) a lower portion having a second threaded bore and a pair of spaced apart surface engaging protuberances formed thereon; and
 - (iv) a support rod having a surface engaging first end and a second threaded end, said second threaded end being threadably received within said first threaded bore formed and said back surface of said molded body; and
- (c) connector means for interconnecting said decorative member with said supporting base, said connector means comprising a threaded rod having a first threaded end threadably receivable within said second threaded bore of said lower portion of said decorative member.

Claim 20 (new): An award construction comprising:

- (a) a supporting base having an upper surface and a lower surface;
- (b) a decorative member connected to said supporting base, said decorative member including a molded body having:

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- (i) a front surface having a central portion circumscribed by a marginal portion;
 - (ii) an ornamental plaque affixed to said central portion of said front surface;
 - (iii) a back surface having an upper portion and a lower portion, said lower portion of said back surface having a first threaded bore formed therein; and
 - (iv) a lower portion having a second threaded bore and a pair of spaced apart surface engaging protuberances formed thereon; and
- (c) connector means for interconnecting said decorative member with said supporting base, said connector means comprising a threaded rod having a first threaded end threadably receivable within said second threaded bore of said lower portion of said decorative member.

Claim 21 (new): An award construction comprising:

- (a) a supporting base having an upper surface and a lower surface;
- (b) a decorative member connected to said supporting base, said decorative member including a molded body having:
 - (i) a front surface having a central portion circumscribed by a marginal portion;

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- (ii) a back surface having an upper portion and a lower portion, said lower portion of said back surface having a first threaded bore formed therein;
 - (iii) hanger means connected to said back surface of said molded body for hanging the molded body on a vertical surface; and
 - (iv) a lower portion having a second threaded bore and a pair of spaced apart surface engaging protuberances formed thereon; and
- (c) connector means for interconnecting said decorative member with said supporting base, said connector means comprising a threaded rod having a first threaded end threadably receivable within said second threaded bore of said lower portion of said decorative member.